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TRANSPORTATION BRANCH  
SERVICES DIVISION  
MONTHLY REPORT FOR  
DECEMBER 1958

2 January 1959

1. Accomplishments

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Mr. [REDACTED] met with representatives of ONI and APCIN to discuss the status of intelligence research and reporting on Sino-Soviet Bloc merchant shipping. Mr. [REDACTED] has undertaken to prepare a staff study on priority research deficiencies in this field. This paper will be presented at an early meeting of the TSC to serve as a community guide for the elimination of these research deficiencies and also as a means of bringing about the most effective and economic allocation of community resources in eliminating them. As an immediate measure S/TR has undertaken to maintain, on an all source basis, a register of all Bloc chartering of Free World vessels.

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Mr. [REDACTED] and staff members debriefed [REDACTED] recently returned from Communist China.

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Mr. [REDACTED] debriefed the Naval attaché to Moscow and members of the Engineers Education exchange Group recently returned from the USSR.

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Miss [REDACTED] prepared an evaluation of State IR 7855 "Development of Shipping and Shipbuilding in the Sino-Soviet Bloc."

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Mr. [REDACTED] briefed [REDACTED] on GW activity in the Soviet Arctic.

2. Administration

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[REDACTED] Chief TR/IO transferred to ONI. He will be replaced by Mr. [REDACTED], effective 15 January 1959. Mr. [REDACTED] has been appointed Acting Chief, TR/U, effective 15 January.

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Mr. [REDACTED] attended the annual AEA meetings in Chicago.

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Mrs. [REDACTED] reported to the branch and has been assigned to TR/Y.

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Miss [REDACTED] completed the ORR Statistics Course.

Mr. [REDACTED] completed the Intelligence Orientation Course.

3. Report on S/TR Research Activity

A. Projects Submitted in December

Project Number	Title	Analyst (s)
00.2444	Effects of Separation of East Berlin from East Germany	25X1A9a [REDACTED]

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✓ 16.2350 Contribution to A/E Project: East  
 German Foreign Trade Accounts

✓ 41.2046 Significant Northern Sea Route Activities

○ 43.1959 A EuSats Transport Systems: East  
 Germany

○ 43.2306 Efficiency of Operations in the Soviet  
 Merchant Fleet


✓ 8-409 Capability of Transport Routes in the  
 Baltic States

✓ 8-413 Review of Geographic Area Project:  
 The Soviet Arctic

B. Projects Underway

Project Number	Title	Analyst (s)	Remarks
10.1803	Chincom NIE		25X1A9a
40.2241	Middle East Shipping		
43.1956	Transport Contributions to Chincom GWP	25X1A9a	Overdue-- being revised in Branch
43.1959 B	EuSats Transport Systems: Poland		Overdue
43.2293	Standardization of Soviet Bloc Transportation		Overdue-- being revised in Branch
43.2294	Polish Civil Air		Overdue-- being revised in Branch
43.2295	Economic Role of Polish Merchant Shipping		

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<u>Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Analyst(s)</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
43.2296	USSR Missile Units		25X1A9a
43.2297	EuSats Missile Units		
43.2298	USSR Missile Launching Systems		
43.2304	Chincom Inland Water Transport		
43.2307	Pattern of POL Traffic in USSR		
43.2309	Highway Transport in Communist China		
43.2310	Hungarian Transport		
43.2311	Soviet Inland Water Cargo Fleet	25X1A9a	